

Whereas, Boyd Leiper McMurchie was born on July 9, 1937, in Ontario, Oregon. He grew up in Payette, Idaho, working cattle with his father and helping on his uncle's farm near Centerville, South Dakota, during the summers; and,

Whereas, Boyd attended high school in Payette, Idaho, and Billings, Montana, graduating from both and receiving two diplomas in 1955. He attended colleges in Billings, Montana, and The University of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Boyd entered the Navy in 1958, entered The University of South Dakota Law School in January 1960, and graduated in August 1963, under the direction of Dean Scarlet; and,

Whereas, Boyd practiced law in Chamberlain with Frank Lindley and Phil Kohler for 11 years, during which time he served as Lyman County State's Attorney, Brule County State's Attorney and as a part-time United States Magistrate Judge; and,

Whereas, Following the reorganization of the South Dakota Unified Judicial System, Boyd was elected Circuit Judge in the Fourth Judicial Circuit in 1974 and served in Chamberlain for 13 years. In 1987, Boyd moved to Mitchell and continued serving on the judicial bench; and,

Whereas, Boyd has dedicated his life to public service and the pursuit of justice as an attorney, prosecutor, federal magistrate judge and state circuit court judge for 31 years; and,

Whereas, Boyd has given life and love to children, Mary, Megan, Shannon and James, and in July 2005, he married Barb McDonald; and,

Whereas, Judge McMurchie retired on November 1, 2005, from a distinguished career of enforcement of the laws governing the state of South Dakota and, for this commitment, he will be honored on January 20, 2006:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 20, 2006, as

HONORABLE BOYD LEIPER MCMURCHIE DAY

in South Dakota, and I join his colleagues, friends and family as they recognize and congratulate him on a long and successful career, and also wish him a long, healthy, and enjoyable retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Third Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State

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